

AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVER COMMISSION
MINUTES OF JUNE 17, 2010 MEETING

In Attendance:

John Burnham
Barbara Sherman

John Drake
Dick Sherman

Albert Grant
Tom Talamini

Absent:

Michele Belisle
Ken Francis
Margaret Steinbugler

Joanne Drapeau
John Kehoe
Deb Talamini

Al Floyd
Kristen Martin
Peter Weilhouwer

CALL TO ORDER: 7:12 PM

MINUTES of May. 19, 2010 MEETING: None were taken as no quorum so not official meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. "Mansions at Canyon Ridge" (formerly Mansions on Scantic) – Walkway has been discussed by developers and probably some action by end of August.
- b. East Windsor River Guide /SRWA Guides – New guide from SRWA is plastic-coated, exactly as we want and will be trying to do the same for ours.
- c. Canoe Trips on Scantic / Flood (River) Review – Chair + 3 took canoe ride on May 29 and discovered two trees from either side of river had fallen and needed to be chopped through. Work party will need to clean it up properly. River review paperwork comes out in fall, it asks for any erosion, composition of sides (rocky, slippery, etc) and bottom (muddy, etc). We will try to take part in that activity.
- d. Trail Markers – New yellow diamond shape ones are in place on trees for about 1.38 miles. Trail has been weedwacked and widened. Members discussed need to mark the beginning of the trail at O'Melia Road.
- e. Membership – Joanne Drapeau changed her status to "alternate" this will allow us to more easily reach a quorum. Still more outsiders are expressing interest and offered assistance for future projects.
- f. Activities – June 19 scouting trip starting at Old Ellington Road 9:30AM.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. June 13 work party installed a bridge over the first area and photos were shown to other members.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. July activity will be a work day scheduled for 7/10 9AM meeting at John B's house. Will assemble and proceed to Hensel property to work downstream.
- b. Greenway status has been granted for the East Windsor section of the Scantic River, in ceremony in Putnam CT on June 4. Chair attended with F.S. Denise Menard. This will open the possibility of additional grant money coming for projects. It was pointed out the need to contact DEP re doing

4 bridges near the Melrose section of the river.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:02 P.M.